

RUSSIANS BOW  
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Amsterdam, Jan. 12.—Leon Trotsky, Bolshevik foreign minister, at the conference at Brest-Litovsk yesterday, said that in order not to leave any possibility for peace unutilized, the Russian delegation had accepted the demand that negotiations be continued here. He said the Russians adhered to the principles of democratic peace as previously proclaimed.

VERDUN FRONT  
BLAZES FIRE

French War Office Reports Heavy Artil-  
lery Fighting—French Raid Was  
Successful.

Paris, Jan. 12.—Violent artillery fighting on the Verdun front was reported by the war office today. Southeast of Bazouval, to-day, the French made a raid and brought back prisoners.

## BRITISH MADE RAID

And Captured Some Prisoners East of  
Loos.

London, Jan. 12.—British troops this morning successfully raided enemy trenches east of Loos, capturing a few prisoners.

## BRITISH SOLDIERS GAIN.

Will Receive More Pay Under the New  
Scale.

London, Jan. 12.—British fighting men are to get an increase in pay which will amount to £65,000,000 in the first year and £69,000,000 in the second. The new scale of pay provides minimum rates of pay for the soldiers as follows: Privates, one shilling six pence a day, lance corporals, one shilling nine pence a day, corporals, two shillings a day. The new regulations provide for an extra penny a day for each year's service.

BRITISH DESTROYER  
RACCOON FOUNDERED

Vessel Built in 1910 and Displacing 915  
Tons Went Down Off the Irish  
Coast.

London, Jan. 12.—The British destroyer Raccoon struck the rocks off the Irish coast Wednesday and foundered. She was built in 1910 and displaced 915 tons.

## TOO MUCH COAL.

Thought to Have Been Delivered to Gov.  
Miliken of Maine.

Portland, Me., Jan. 12.—Having had called to his attention that 36 tons of coal of a cargo arriving in Portland had been delivered at the residence of Gov. Miliken in August, State Fuel Administrator Hamlen last night said: "Under the circumstances I believe it is inopportune for the governor or any citizen to take such a large quantity of coal. Last Sunday people in Portland were buying coal in twenty-pound bags and paying a cent a pound. Under such conditions, it is not right to take such a large quantity of coal and had I known the coal was going to be taken by Gov. Miliken I should have commandeered the barge when it arrived at Portland."

After communicating with the governor in Boston, Private Secretary Hart quoted him as stating that the coal delivered was ordered by his father last summer and was delivered from a barge consigned to Searsport, but which discharged at Portland on account of ice conditions at the eastern port. He said that this was by arrangement with Frank C. Wright, former coal administrator. The governor proposed that a census be taken of coal in Augusta and that all found beyond the immediate needs of the owner be distributed among those who were out. Mr. Hamlen said that he knew nothing of any arrangement to deliver coal to Governor Miliken.

## CHANGES AT AYER.

Members of Depot Brigade Sent to Various  
Other Units in the Cantonment.

Ayer, Mass., Jan. 12.—Sixteen hundred and fifty men in the depot brigade at Camp Devens will be transferred next Monday to various regiments, battalions and trains in the cantonment, according to reorganization orders for the 70th national army division issued yesterday. Among officers here the announcement is taken as a meaning that the division as a whole is not likely to see foreign service in the near future and that instead it will be a "filling" division, having various parts of its strength transferred from time to time to supply the needs of other units.

## INDUSTRIES CLOSING DOWN

Because They Are Unable to Procure  
Coal.

Boston, Jan. 12.—New England's coal shortage has reached the danger point. In refusing the plea of theatre managers yesterday that they be allowed to keep the playhouses open, their customary hours, James J. Storrow, fuel administrator told them that a factory having large munitions contracts for the French government had already shut down for lack of coal; that at Fall River, one of the largest cotton mills in New England engaged on government orders, discontinuing work yesterday because of inability to get fuel; that he had been unable to comply with the government's request to rush coal for the Springfield arsenal, making a shutdown of the plant imminent; and that the Metropolitan water and sewage department had coal enough to last only until Sunday.

## FIGHT TO THE DEATH.

Is Great Britain Word to Germany, Says  
Sir Frederick Smith.

New York, Jan. 12.—Britain has resolved to fight Germany to the death, determination strengthened by America's entry into the struggle, Sir Frederick Edwin Smith, attorney-general of Great Britain, declared last night in delivering the annual address before the New York State Bar association.

"As the humble mouthpiece here to-night of the British," he said, "I bring you this message: Reinforced and comforted by your alliance, clasping the hands of this country to-night, we say: 'Whatever happens, whatever the cost may be, of blood and treasure, whatever mortgages we draw upon the future vitality of our stock and upon our future resources, this quarrel goes through to the death.'"

"New phases of national development," was the subject of Mr. Smith's address. America entered the war, he declared, only "because it is essential to our safety that the pretensions of brute force should be defeated," and because the nation "cannot live in peace and security unless there is firmly established among the nations the reign of law."

MEXICAN MISSION  
SENT TO BUY ARMS  
FROM JAPANESE

Headed By Juan T. Burns, Former Mexi-  
can Consul General at New York, It  
Is Said to Have Reached Amer-  
ican Port on the Pacific  
Ocean.

A Pacific Port, Jan. 12.—The Japanese ship carrying the mission sent by President Carranza of Mexico for the alleged purpose of negotiating a treaty between the two countries and arranging for the purchase by Mexico from Japan of arms and ammunition for the Mexican army has arrived here, according to a local paper. The paper says the mission is headed by Juan T. Burns, former Mexican consul general at New York, and includes General Bouche, military adviser to Carranza.

## POISONED BY OYSTERS.

One Member of the Family Died and  
Three Others Were Ill.

St. Albans, Jan. 12.—Mrs. James Boscach died at her home on Federal street Wednesday evening of ptomaine poisoning, probably caused by eating oysters. She had been ill since Monday night. She would have been 62 years old April 30 next. Mrs. Boscach is survived by her husband; three daughters, Mrs. Joseph Patterson of Fairfield, Mrs. Annie Labounty and Miss Sadie Boscach of this city; one son, Frank Boscach of this city, and 12 grandchildren, also by three brothers, Elmer Boscach of this city, John Raney of Leominster, N. H., and Fred Raney of Bakersfield, and three sisters, Mrs. Viola Raney of this city, Mrs. Eugene Peppers of Derry, N. H., and Mrs. Lovisa Boscach of Enosburg Falls.

Three other members of the family who suffered somewhat from the poisoning have recovered.

SEEK ROBBERS  
WHO MURDERED  
FOUR IN BANK

U. S. Army Bank at Camp Funston, Kan.,  
Was Looted Last Night, Amount  
of the Booty Not Being  
Known.

Camp Funston, Kan., Jan. 12.—Military police and civil officers to-day are probing for the men who last night killed with axes four men and wounded another at the army bank on the military reservation and obtained an amount of money not yet known.

## SOLDIER, LAWYER, TEACHER.

John E. Wheelock Died at Son's Home in  
Colchester.

Milton, Jan. 12.—John E. Wheelock died at the home of his son, Ruel, in Colchester yesterday, aged 77 years. Wheelock was one of the Civil war veterans who enlisted from Milton. He practiced law in Milton for many years and later was principal of the Milton high school for several years. He held nearly all the town offices and represented Milton in the legislature in 1888. He leaves two sons, Wilder and Ruel, and three grandsons.

The funeral will be held Monday at 1 o'clock from the home of his son, Ruel Wheelock of Colchester.

## COMMISSION FOR MITCHELL.

Ex-Mayor of New York a Major in the  
Aviation Corps.

New York, Jan. 12.—John Purroy Mitchell, who retired on January 1 as mayor of New York, was yesterday appointed a major in the aviation corps of the United States army. Mitchell announced last night that he would resign his office as mayor at one of the United States aviation camps. He said that immediately following the recent mayoralty election he had sought service with the infantry in France but that the rules of the war department made it impossible for him to obtain a commission in the infantry at this time. He then decided to accept the commission offered by Major-General Spuler, chief signal officer of the army. Mr. Mitchell is a graduate of the first Plattsburg training camp.

## TALK OF THE TOWN

The condition of Alfred Morgan of Pearl street, who is receiving treatment for septicaemia at the city hospital as the result of a slight injury to his hand, remained practically unchanged to-day. An anti-tetanus serum has been injected, and it is thought that the progress of the infection has been arrested.

The American Cheer club held one of its regular meetings with Mrs. A. H. Lund, 24 Sheridan street, Thursday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. Eva Perkins, who to-day left Barr to make her home in Springfield, Mass. Some played cards and other games and at 8 o'clock a seven-course dinner was served. After dinner Mrs. Lund was given a rising vote of thanks. The party broke up by wishing Mrs. Perkins many pleasures in her new home, and stood and sang "The Star Spangled Banner" before leaving for their homes.

BIG BLIZZARD  
HITS CHICAGO

The Worst in the History of  
the City Paralyzes  
Traffic

TEMPERATURE IS  
14 BELOW ZERO

No Milk Trains Arrive and  
Coal Wagons Cannot  
Deliver

Chicago, Jan. 12.—Chicago was isolated to-day from railroad communication with the outside world by one of the worst blizzards in history. Business is paralyzed and no milk trains have arrived. Coal wagons are unable to move 10 per cent of the fuel that is needed. The temperature is 14 below zero and there is a high wind.

SOUTH SWEEP  
BY TORNADOES

Sixteen Lives Are Known to Have Been  
Lost in Two States—Snowfall  
Was Worst of Winter.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 12.—With the entire south in the grip of the worst snow and sleet storm of the winter, early reports to-day showed that the tornadoes in eastern Alabama and central Georgia had taken toll of 16 lives and injured more than one hundred. Wire communication over a great area was paralyzed. Many tents were blown down at Camp Wheeler at Macon and at Camp Sheridan at Montgomery.

## GET READY TO SHIVER

For the Remainder of Eastern America  
Is Doing It.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 12.—A cold wave equal in severity to that of a week ago, was approaching the East last night from the West, where zero temperatures prevail. Lowering temperatures to-day are accompanied by rain and high winds in the middle Atlantic district, followed by general snow to-night or Sunday and increasing cold weather.

The cold wave originated in the far Northwest, and the line of zero temperatures reported yesterday east of the Rocky mountains had moved eastward last night, reaching beyond the Mississippi river and extending from the lakes to the Gulf.

A storm of considerable intensity precedes the cold, being central last night over eastern Tennessee and moving on toward the coast. It was attended yesterday by snows in southern states from the Mississippi to the Carolinas and Virginia.

Williston, N. D., was the coldest city in the country last night, the mercury registering 25 degrees below zero. It was 18 below at Omaha, 14 below at Kansas City and two below at Oklahoma City, while at Louisville the reading was zero. At Memphis the mercury stood at eight above and the cold extended across the South and into northern Florida, where freezing temperatures were reported.

## WIDOW WINS VERDICT.

Jennie M. Spinney Awarded \$5,000 from  
O. V. Hooker & Son.

St. Johnsbury, Jan. 12.—In the case of Jennie M. Spinney vs. O. V. Hooker & Son, which has been on trial in county court since Monday afternoon, the jury returned a verdict awarding the plaintiff \$5,000. Her late husband was an employee of the defendant St. Johnsbury corporation and on March 27, 1913, was instantly killed by coming in contact with a live wire while working on the cupola of the Hooker shop. At the succeeding term of the county court the plaintiff was awarded \$6,000 damages. The case was then brought to court, where it was twice argued, and last October the judgment of the county court was reversed and the case remanded. The American Fidelity company of Montpelier was interested with O. V. Hooker & Sons in the case.

State's Attorney Campbell asked for sentences in two state cases and each respondent received a high sentence, owing to the peculiar circumstances of the accused parties. Edward J. Earl pleaded guilty to forgery and was sentenced to state prison for a period of not less than one nor more than three years and a fine of \$1 and costs of prosecution. Earl was employed by H. P. Hood & Son, the Boston milk dealers, and was said to have received the monthly checks for Hood's customers by forging the name of G. H. Albee and cashed one and received \$36. Other checks were destroyed. Earl admitted his guilt, but told the court he had settled with all parties; that he took the money to pay funeral expenses and doctors' bills in his wife's family, and that the Boston corporation had not raised his pay on Dec. 1 as agreed.

Carl H. Bill of Whitefield, N. H., pleaded guilty to the charge of bigamy. The respondent admitted he had been married twice, but said his first wife wrote a friend that she had secured a divorce and he supposed she had done so. The state's attorney related the rather peculiar circumstances of his first marriage which was performed by an itinerant evangelist. The latter gave the parties no certificate of marriage, but did record the act in the town clerk's office at Jefferson. Later it was discovered that the man had no legal right to perform the ceremony, and owing to the evangelist's death the matter was dropped by the respondent. The state's attorney admitted that the respondent was technically guilty of bigamy and the court in sentencing him said it was pretty rare to find a man who had been twice married without definite knowledge of the legal relations with his first wife. He was then sentenced to the state's prison for a term of not less than one year nor more than one and one-half years.

## MONTPELIER

The Fuel Administrator Asks Lodges and  
Clubs to Save Coal.

Early in the week H. J. M. Jones, state fuel administrator, sent to the state bodies of the different fraternities of Vermont requests that they co-operate in curtailing the use of coal. He has received replies from most of the state organizations of this nature and clubs that they will co-operate and in some instances the state officers are sending out letters to the lodges and clubs in the different towns, advising the officers of the desires of the state fuel administrator and suggesting that lodges and clubs, using coal, change to wood or if they cannot do this they close up their lodge or club rooms as much as possible.

Morris Shaw, who has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Hassie Nichols, his nephew, left last evening for his home in St. Albans.

Mrs. Alma Richardson of this city, accompanied by Mrs. G. M. Powers of Morrisville, has gone to Florida for the rest of the winter.

Sergt. Jack Marshall, who has been here for a few days, left this morning to take up his duties at Springfield, Mass., where he has been assigned.

The "Rose Girl" was presented by the local Rebekah lodge Friday evening in the Playhouse and the fraternity realized a snug sum. The play was staged under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Philbrook and some 75 persons appeared in the cast of characters. The musical synopsis included the "Red Cafe" by the company; "You Said Something," Miss Estee and Cretone; "I'd Like to Furnish a Flat for You," Miss Mitchell and Mr. Sweeney; "Love's Wonder-land," Miss Emery and chorus; "The Right Switch to Ipswich," Mr. Sibson and chorus; "I'm Looking for a Situation," Miss Blanchard; "The Rose Dance," Miss Baker Philbrook and rose girls; "All the Girls Love Me," Mr. Farnham and nationality girls; "Hand in Hand," Miss Estee and Mr. Sweeney; "Chu Chin Chow," Mr. Hatch and girls; "Divertissement," Mrs. Philbrook; "Barnum Had the Right Idea," Mr. Sibson; "My Scarecrow Girl," Phyllis King and scarecrow girls; "Maid of Old Japan," Miss Emery and chorus; finale, company. On all sides commendations were heard as to the excellent manner in which the comedy was presented.

It is very probable that the county buildings in the state will be heated next winter with wood, for it was made known a few days ago at the governor's office that State Purchasing Agent Dewey T. Hanley for a short time has been investigating the conditions and finds that it is possible to heat the buildings with wood and that if the present price of fuel holds up it will be cheaper than coal. It would not be surprising if the state did some cutting of wood for its own use. Those closely in touch with the fuel situation predict that coal will not be available next winter for domestic purposes.

Marion Paul L. F. Raffesteth of Northfield has been appointed to probate court as the administrator of the estate of his father, Benjamin Raffesteth, of the same town.

George H. Olmstead and E. B. Hamlin of Cleveland, O., arrived last night to attend on Tuesday the annual meeting of the National Life Insurance company.

The office of C. W. Scott, deputy commissioner of weights and measures, was deluged with letters being folded to be sent to the Vermont soldiers in France. The letters are then to be placed in envelopes with the monthly cards of each man in service in that country. Some 1,800 boys from Vermont are over there. The 12 cards will be returned to the local office one per month, with the same certification that has been established for use in paying those volunteering in other branches of the service, so that now the payment is under a uniform system, one card being certified to by the soldier's commanding officer each month and then the check mailed to the soldier or assignee. In addition to this, 1,900 checks to the assignees of the soldiers in France will leave the office about the 15th for payment of the November state pay, while in a few days some \$5,000 will be paid to other volunteers.

A. Bianco surrendered himself to Probation Officer C. A. Smith Friday morning, asking that he be placed back at work and telling a story of two months' illness. Mr. Smith was given a warrant some months ago for the man's arrest on the charge of breaking his probation, but when the man told his story to the officer and the state probation officer it seemed best to give him another chance, which was done. He is a stone cutter, who was found guilty of non-support of his wife. He left here some months since and had not been heard of. It appears that while working in Peekskill, N. Y., he suffered an injury that confined him to the hospital for two months and upon his getting out of the place he feared that a warrant had been issued for his arrest. He came here Thursday night, found a place to work and then, Friday morning sought out Mr. Smith, with the result that he will pay the \$10 a week for family support.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Russell have bought of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Willey their house on Marvin street for a home. Mr. Russell is the treasurer of the National Life company, while Mr. Willey, who since graduation from Montpelier seminary in 1905 had been employed by the American Fidelity company, has gone to New York, where he has a clerical position.

A. C. Blanchard stopped a runaway on State street Friday morning. The snow plow of the traction company frightened Derick's delivery horse. Mr. Blanchard, who was near, seized the reins, which yanked him to the ground, and he was dragged along the sidewalk for a few feet but held to the horse, stopping it before damage was done.

The Montpelier high school basketball team defeated St. Albans high school at St. Albans last night by the score of 17 to 16. At the end of the first half the score stood 12 to 5 in favor of St. Albans, but the Montpelier team came back strong in the second half and nosed out a victory.

Although the snowstorm was pretty heavy at different points along the Vermont line it interfered with traffic but little, for the company started its snow plow and scraper cars about 10 o'clock. The plow from here left for White River Junction. Reports from Roxbury were that about a foot of snow fell there, while from Bolton came the report that it was blowing very hard. The night trains were not affected by the storm. The southbound was a little late, but the northbound was a little under two hours late, due to connections at White River Junction. The afternoon mail train Friday was three hours late, largely due to connections at White River Junction. It ran only a few minutes ahead of the New England States Limited through this locality. The freight traffic was not impaired to any extent by the storm, considerable freight being moved in the night. The New England States Limited southbound was more than two hours overdue this afternoon.

Chief Master-at-Arms Charles Mitchell received the following letter, in which the names are left out but which he claimed goes to show that the attitude that some people are taking in this locality is having a detrimental effect upon the enlistment of young men in the different branches of the war service. The letter reads, without names:

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CRUSHED UNDER  
HUGE CHIMNEY

At Least Three Killed and  
30 Injured at Lynn  
Factory

MANY INJURED  
HAD BROKEN LIMBS

The Rear of a Three-Story  
Building Was  
Smashed

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 12.—At least three persons lost their lives when a tall chimney at the Sprague box factory was blown down by a gale to-day and crashed through the rear of the factory, a three-story wooden building. The three bodies recovered early in the forenoon were of the following:

LEONARD MILO.  
MRS. FLORENCE EVELETH.  
MISS LUELLA H. BROWN.

It is believed that one other body is buried in the debris. Soon after the police came they estimated that a score of people lost their lives, but later that figure was found too high. About 30 were injured, several having limbs broken. Two hundred men and women were at work in the factory at the time of the accident.

The streets were coated with ice, and a heavy rain was falling, making the work of rescue hazardous.

KILLED HER FATHER  
TO PROTECT SISTER

16-Year-Old Colored Girl, Phoebe Harrison, Shot James Harrison at  
Southington, Conn.

Southington, Conn., Jan. 12.—James Harrison, a negro, was shot and killed by his daughter, Phoebe, aged 16 years, while he was attempting to chastise an older daughter, Dorothy, early to-day. The girl was arrested pending a coroner's inquiry.

## PAST GRAND'S PIN.

Was Presented by Odd Ladies to Helen Stevens.

The following officers of Granite City lodge of L. O. L. M. U. were installed last evening by District Deputy Helen Stevens, P. N. G. Ina Morrison acting as conductor: P. N. G. Amelia Bianchi; N. G. Maria Watt; V. G. Josephine Rizzio; P. S. Nellie Bianchi; E. S. Mary Walker; treasurer, Eleanor Faulkner; chaplain, Katherine Davidson; wardens, Elizabeth Sargent; conductor, Mary Charles; L. G. Maria Mitchell; O. G. May Duncan; pianist, Ethel Gamble; R. S. to N. G. Helen Stevens; L. S. to N. G. Christina Walker; R. S. to V. G. Jessie Lund; L. S. to V. G. Isabella Thompson; delegate to convention, Helen Stevens; substitute, Eleanor Faulkner; lodge physician, Dr. J. W. Jackson.

In closing the lodge, P. N. G. Eva Gamble in behalf of the order presented a past grand's pin to the retiring P. N. G., Helen Stevens. Sister Stevens thanked the lodge in appropriate manner, after which refreshments were served by the amusement committee and dancing was enjoyed, Elizabeth Stevens acting as pianist.

## TWO ENLISTMENTS.

H. W. Gallup Jones, Medical Corps, and  
Peter Sandison, the First Vermont.

Two men from Washington county were sent into United States service to-day, they being Herbert W. Gallup, who has been employed by E. M. Bailey & Co. of Montpelier for some years and who comes from Franklin, and Peter Sandison of East Montpelier. The former enters the medical corps and will report at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., and the latter enlists as a private in the First Vermont infantry at Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C.

On leaving Montpelier to-day the young men were presented by the Montpelier Red Cross the usual collection of soldier's articles, including a sweater, helmet, pajamas, socks, etc.

## COULDN'T SAVE MILL.

But Volunteers at Lincoln Fire Saved  
Adjoining Property.

Lincoln, Jan. 12.—The Nelson Murray saw mill and butter tub factory was destroyed by fire at West Lincoln about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The loss is estimated at \$5,000, partly covered by insurance.

Several workmen were in the yard when they suddenly saw smoke coming from the building about the chimney. Their efforts were of no avail. Telephone calls summoned a bucket brigade and several came from Bristol to help, but all efforts were useless. They succeeded in saving the adjoining property, a blacksmith shop and some houses.

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## JULY BUSIEST POLICE MONTH

And Total Arrests for the Year Were 49  
Less Than Previous Year.

Fewer by nearly 50 than the record of 1916 were the arrests made by the Barre police in 1917, according to the annual statement which Chief of Police Samuel Sinclair has prepared for the annual city report. The report, covering 491 arrests, as against 450 in the preceding year, will be submitted to the city council next week. Aggregates somewhat larger than in former years have been noted in the police department report since 1915, due in part to the license regime, although the 1917 report compiled after nearly two years of license, indicates that conditions are beginning to adjust themselves to the open saloon. There is an appreciable decrease in the number of arrests for intoxication, although other offenses have gained in number.

A wider sweep of offenses was committed by respondents arrested in 1917, for 25 different causes were cited by the prosecuting authorities during the year. Additions to the list of 1916 include such offenses as grave desecrations, abortion, and the use of profane language. Intoxication offenses reached a total of 296, as against the 331 registered in the preceding year. Breach of peace offenses were preferred to the number of 21. There were 19 search and seizure warrants issued, and 14 for selling. Ten complaints were for larceny, and keeping intoxicating liquor, eight. Most noticeable, perhaps, is the decrease in the number of offenders against the automobile statutes. There were only four in 1917. Other offenses run the gamut of transgressions, although none of the so-called crimes were committed in numbers.

July was the busiest month for the police. In that month there were 49 arrests, while in the largest month in 1916, May, the total number of arrests was 67. The 401 arrests credited to the department in 1917 are divided as follows: January 24, February 16, March 38, April 40, May 26, June 43, July 49, August 41, September 44, October 31, November 18, December 31.

## PLAN BARRE CAMPAIGN.

For the City's Share in the Knights of  
Columbus Campaign.

Headquarters of a canvassing team for every town within its jurisdiction are to be provided as the result of a meeting of the local K. of C. war fund committee last evening, when further plans for the Barre end of the big campaign to be launched Jan. 20 were made. Nearly every member of the committee elected last Sunday was present and a good deal of enthusiasm was manifested over the prospects for a drive that will extend to every town in Washington and Orange counties. As early as next week representatives of the committee are to lay foundations for the campaign in the towns within their territory, and when the movement is finally launched every town will be in readiness for the canvass.

Everywhere about the state the Knights of Columbus and other workers who have interested themselves in the patriotic mission of the order are getting ready for their task. The goal is \$50,000 for Vermont, and the money, part of millions which the national K. of C. hopes to raise, will go toward bettering the conditions of American soldiers and sailors, at home and abroad.

The following towns are included in the territory assigned the local committee, which is headed by John J. Hartigan: Barre City, Barre Town, Berlin (one-half), Cabot, Marshfield, Plainfield, West Lincoln, Washington, Chelsea, and Topsham. The co-operation of citizens in each town is to be sought.

## BARRE SCHOOLS OPEN MONDAY.

All the Buildings Said to Be Well Supplied with Coal.

Supt. C. H. White of the Barre schools announced to-day that the Barre schools of the city will re-open Monday morning for the winter term, following the extended holiday vacation, which was recommended by the state educational department for all coal-burning schools in the state. The teachers began to return to-day, and it is expected that all of them will be in their places Monday morning.

It is said that all the buildings of the city have enough coal on hand to carry them through the winter.

## BARRE EAGLES AHEAD.

Defeated the Montpelier Men in Nearly  
Every Encounter.

Eagles of the local acerie strengthened their grip on the intercity championship at the capital last night by carrying a comfortable majority of the matches in the tournament with Montpelier Eagles. The visitors were royally entertained by the Montpelier acerie, who proved themselves capable and willing hosts, even in the face of defeat. Bowling, pool, billiards and cards figured in the encounters, and in nearly every match the Barre Eagles triumphed. The gathering was one of several meetings arranged by the inter-acerie committees last fall. Five of the tournaments were held before the holidays, and the remaining four are to continue through the months of January, February and March. Below is the tabulated account of last night's play.

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